

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A textile fiber comprising polypropylene blended with about 1-25% by weight impact modifier, the impact modifier selected from the group consisting of ethylene-propylene-diene-monomer, styrene/ethylene-co-butadiene/styrene, styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene)-styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene), multi-block elastomeric copolymers, polyurethanes, polyamides, polyesters, single-site or metallocene-catalyzed polyolefins having density less than about 0.89 grams/cc, and ethylene/styrene.
2. (Original) The textile fiber of Claim 1, wherein the textile fiber comprises about 2-15% by weight impact modifier.
3. (Original) The textile fiber of Claim 1, wherein the textile fiber comprises about 3-10% by weight impact modifier.
4. (Original) The textile fiber of Claim 1, wherein the impact modifier comprises a copolymer selected from the group consisting of ethylene-propylene-diene-monomer, styrene/ethylene-co-butadiene/styrene, and styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene)-styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene).
5. (Original) A spunbond fiber comprising the textile fiber of Claim 1.
6. (Original) A staple fiber comprising the textile fiber of Claim 1.
7. (Original) A multi-fiber yarn comprising the textile fiber of Claim 1.
8. (Original) A knit fabric comprising the textile fiber of Claim 1.
9. (Original) A woven fabric comprising the textile fiber of Claim 1.
10. (Original) A nonwoven fabric comprising the textile fiber of Claim 1.

11. (Original) An absorbent article comprising the nonwoven fabric of Claim 10.

12. (Original) A textile fiber comprising polypropylene blended with about 2-15% by weight impact modifier, the impact modifier selected from the group consisting of ethylene-propylene-diene-monomer, styrene/ethylene-co-butadiene/styrene, and styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene)-styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene).

13. (Original) A spunbond fiber comprising the textile fiber of Claim 12.

14. (Original) A staple fiber comprising the textile fiber of Claim 12.

15. (Original) A multi-fiber yarn comprising the textile fiber of Claim 12.

16. (Original) A knit fabric comprising the textile fiber of Claim 12.

17. (Original) A woven fabric comprising the textile fiber of Claim 12.

18. (Original) A nonwoven fabric comprising the textile fiber of Claim 12.

19. (Original) An absorbent article comprising the nonwoven fabric of Claim 18.

20. (Original) A nonwoven fabric comprising a plurality of modified fibers, the modified fibers including polypropylene blended with about 1-25% by weight impact modifier, the impact modifier selected from the group consisting of ethylene-propylene-diene-monomer, styrene/ethylene-co-butadiene/styrene, and styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene)-styrene-poly(ethylene-propylene).

21. (Original) The nonwoven fabric of Claim 20, wherein the modified fibers comprise about 2-15% by weight impact modifier.

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22. (Original) The nonwoven fabric of Claim 20, wherein the modified fibers comprise about 3-10% by weight impact modifier.

23. (Original) An absorbent article comprising the nonwoven fabric of Claim 20.